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SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT

PASS DR. ERIC SCHNEIDER FROM PROFESSOR A.I. SIMONOV

QUOTE. IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR LETTER OF JUNE 17, 1975

REGARDING OUR JOINT ACTIVITIES UNDER THE APRIL 12, 1975
PROTOCOL, I INFORM YOU OF THE FOLLOWING.

1. WE ACCEPT WITH GREAT SATISFACTION YOUR AGREEMENT TO
HAVE THE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH SHIP VISIT THE PORT OF
NARRAGANSETT (RHODE ISLAND) TO HAVE DR. SUE CHEER OAND
DR. RICHARD IVERSON COME ON BOARD SHIP AND THE
OPPORTUNITY OFFERED TO VISIT YOUR LABORATORY. AS FOR
THE SECOND PORT OF CALL, AT THE MEETING OF DR. IZRAEL'
AND DR. R. TRAIN DR. BROWN OFFICIALLY INFORMED
US OF PERMISSION GRANTED TO CALL AT THE PORT OF MOBILE,
ALABAMA, AND NOT AT THE PORT OF TAMPA, FLORDIA, AS YOU
INFORM US IN YOUR LETTER. IN CONNECTION WITH THIS WE
REQUEST THAT YOU CLARIFY THE MATTER OF THE SECOND
PORT OF CALL AND INFORM US. WE ARE AGREEABLE TO
EITHER OF THE PROPOSED ALTERNATIVES.

2. WE ARE EXTEMELY GRATEFUL TO YOU FOR YOUR READINESS
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TO GIVE US AID AND ASSISTANCE IN THE TRANSFER OF THE

ENTIRE GROUP OF ARRIVING SOVIET SPECIALISTS FROM THE
NEW YORK AIRPORT TO THE VESSEL'S BERTH. WE INFORM
YOU THAT A GROUP OF BIOLOGISTS CONSISTING OF TEN
PERSONS WILL ARRIVE IN NEW YORK
JULY 22 ON FLIGHT
SU-311.

3. IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR REQUEST WE WILL INFORM THE
CAPTAIN OF THE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH SHIP MOSCOW
UNIVERSITY A.G. PONOMARENKO OF THE VISIT TO THE SHIP
DURING ITS LAYOVER AT WOODS HOLE OF YOUR ASSISTANT
DR. M.J. WADE AND A TECHNICIAN. THEY WILL BE OFFERED
ALL COOPERATION DURING THEIR VISIT AND ACQUAINTANCE
WITH THE SHIP'S EQUIPMENT. DURING THEIR VISIT TO
THE SHIP THEY WILL BE ABLE TO RECEIVE ANSWERS TO THE
QUESTIONS YOU POSE IN YOUR LETTER. WE CAN ANSWER SOME
OF THEM IN THIS LETTER.

A) THE SHIP HAS AN ELECTRICAL NETWORK OF ALTERNATING
(250,220,127 WITH A FREQUENCY OF 50 HERZ AND 400
HERZ) AND DIRECT (12,24V) CURRENT.

B) THE TEMPERATURE IN THE LABORATORY AREAS IS MAINTAINED
BY AN AIR CONDITIONER.

C) THERE IS NO REFRIGERATION ROOM ON BOARD SHIP. THE
LABORATOIRES HAVE 250-1 CAPACITY REFRIGERATORS.
ASIDE FROM THIS THERE ARE FREEZER CHAMBERS WHICH ARE
USED ESSENTIALLY FOR FOOD STORAGE.

D) INCUBATION OF C 14 VIALS WILL BE CARRIED OUT IN SITU.
IF YOU CANNOT LOCATE A PRECISE ENOUGH OXYMETER, WE WOULD
REQUEST THAT YOU PREPARE AND BRING ABOARD THOSE OXYMETERS
THAT YOU HAVE AT YOUR DISPOSAL. IN ADDITION, WE HAVE
ALREADY WRITTEN DR. DUKE THAT IT WOULD BE DESIRABLE IF
THE AMERICAN SPECIALISTS BROUGHT THE FOLLOWING EQUIP-
MENT AND MATERIALS ON BOARD SHIP:

A) PIGMENT ANALYSIS APPARATUS;

B) APPROXIMATELY 300-400 CONTAINERS FOR DUPLICATE
SAMPLES AND APPROPRIATE CHEMICAL AGENTS FOR THEIR
FIXATION;

C) ZOOPLANKTON NETS;

D) A SELECTION OF SESSELS AND APPARATUS FOR C-14 PRI-
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COMMONLY USED ON AMERICAN SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH VESSELS.
WE FEEL THAT IN THIS CASE JOINT WORK WILL GO MORE
SUCCESSFULLY.

4. CONCERNING POINT 2.4., WE HOPE THAT AS A RESULT OF
THE MEETING OF AMERICAN AND SOVIET SPECIALISTS IN THE
USSR A PROGRAM PLAN FOR INTERCALIBRATION OF METHODS
OF OIL AND OILPRODUCT IDENTIFICATION/DETERMINATION WILL

BE WORKED OUT. THEREFORE IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF THE AMERICAN SIDE SENT A DELEGATION WHICH COULD INSURE THAT SUCH A PROGRAM WOULD BE WORKED OUT. IN CONNECTION WITH THIS WE WOULD LIKE TO FIND OUT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THE NUMBER AND PERSONNEL OF THE ARRIVING DELEGATION. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE SAME POINT 2.4. WE PROPOSE TO SEND TO THE USA IN SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER A TWO-OR-THREE-MAN DELEGATION OF SOVIET SPECIALISTS TO COMPLY ALONG WITH AMERICAN SPECIALISTS A JOINT PROGRAM OF INTERCALIBRATION OF METHODS OF IDENTIFYING/DETERMINING HEAVY METALS. I WILL INFORM YOU OF THE PERSONNEL NO LATER THAN AUGUST 15.

5. ACCORDING TO POINT 3.4. I INFORM YOU THAT THE BIOLOGICAL MONITORING PAPER WILL BE PREPARED BY PROF. V.D. FEDOROV, AND THE CHEMICAL MONITORING PAPER BY MYSELF. LEADER OF THE SOVIET PART OF THE VI-2.1. PROJECT, PROFESSOR A.I. SIMONOV UNQUOTE. STOESSEL

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